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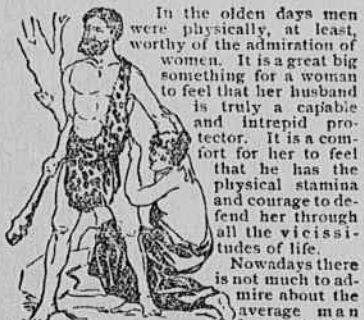
RICHMOND NEWS MATTER

Gossip About New Commissioner of Agriculture.

SEATS FOR SALESWOMEN LAW

Labor Commissioner Montague Will Take Steps to Have the Law Enforced—Items of Interest About Virginia Volunteers—Congressional Contests—Richmond's Nominee for Tobacco Commissioner.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)
Richmond, Va., Jan. 2.—Mr. George W. Kolner did not assume the duties of the office of Commissioner of Agriculture to-day owing to its being a holiday. He will enter office to-morrow. It is understood that Mr. Kolner will not at once make any changes in the clerical force in his office. He has received several applications for positions, but he will not act upon any until he has become familiar with the duties of the various attaches, and every change will be for the good of the service as he sees it. The Commissioner will have to deposit with the Secretary of the Commonwealth a bond in the sum of \$10,000 for the faithful performance of his duties. Governor Tyler has not yet filled the vacancies on the Board of Agriculture caused by the expirations of the terms of various members, including Col. A. S. Buford, president, who has asked to be relieved from further service. Governor Tyler takes great interest in the Department of



In the olden days men were physically, at least, worthy of the admiration of women. It is a great big something for a woman to feel that her husband is truly a capable and intrepid protector. It is a comfort for her to feel that he has the physical stamina and courage to defend her through all the vicissitudes of life. Nowdays there is not much to admire about the average man from a physical standpoint. He may be a moral and a mental giant, but the flesh of ill-health is weak, and he is probably a physical coward. It is not in nature for a sickly man to be a brave man. His spirit may be willing but his body is weak. That is the man's own fault. Any man can be healthy who will pay a little common sense attention to his health when he has it, and when he gets a little out of sorts, take the right remedy. Many of the diseases that afflict mankind are traceable directly to indigestion, torpidity of the liver and impurities in the blood. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is the greatest medicine for disorders of this kind. It is a weak stomach, corrects all disorders of the digestion, gives edge to the appetite, invigorates the liver, purifies and enriches the blood and tones up and invigorates the nerves. It searches out disease germs, kills them and carries them out of the system. It is the great blood-maker, flesh-builder and nerve-tonic and restorative. It makes strong, healthy men out of weak, sickly invalids. Medicine dealers sell it and no honest dealer will urge a substitute upon you.

"I have been taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and 'Pellets' and must say that they have worked wonders in my case," writes Mr. L. L. Pack, (Box 175), of Hinton, Summers Co., W. Va. "I feel like a new person, in fact I think I am well, but will take one more bottle to make sure the cure is permanent. I cannot speak too highly of the 'Discovery.' I can eat anything now without misery in my stomach. I have gained some eight or ten pounds, weighing as heavy as I did three years ago."

"The medicine certainly worked like a charm on me, but when I first began to take it I felt a little worse for a few days; had pains through my body and bones, but all this left me after taking the medicines four or five days."

admitting the availability of Mr. Osterloh and pledging their undivided support of him for the appointment.

AN ABDUCTION CASE.
A case of a somewhat sensational nature came to light in Manchester to-day, involving the reputation of one of the prettiest girls in Dinwiddie. Mr. Joseph Townsend and Miss Effie Gunn, of Dinwiddie county, started to Washington last week, with the expressed intention of getting married. They got as far as Richmond, and stopped with a relative of the bride-that-wanted-to-be, and they came to Manchester Friday and the young man was introduced at the residence of the prospective bride's uncle, at Fourth and Decatur streets, as the husband of the young woman, where they remained until Sunday night.

The uncle grew suspicious and communicated with Petersburg authorities, having been told that the marriage had taken place there. The Petersburg people stated that no such license had been granted in that city, and upon this information the assistance of the Manchester police was invoked, and Townsend was arrested on the charge of abduction on the promise of marriage.

He appeared in the Mayor's Court this morning, and the case went over one day for witnesses, the accused going to jail in the meantime. Neither party will say anything in reference to the case. The father of the young woman has been sent for, and he will probably be on hand to-morrow, when the case will be called.

"HONEST JOHN" LETCHER.
Mrs. J. Taylor Ellyson, the vice regent of the Confederate Museum, has received for the Virginia room a handsome framed crayon portrait of Governor John Letcher, enlarged from a photograph taken the year he was elected Governor of Virginia. His son, the Hon. L. H. Letcher, of Lexington, in presenting it, says that all who have seen the portrait pronounce it a capital likeness. The portrait will be formally presented to the society at the next meeting of the board, Wednesday, January 25th, at 11 a. m.

INVESTIGATING A HAZING.
The faculty of Richmond College this evening had under investigation a hazing, which took place at that institution during the Christmas holidays, and which has just leaked out. The victim of the attempt at hazing was Mr. C. N. Smith. The latter, however, defended himself against the would-be hazers so vigorously with an axe that the crowd had to leave him. Smith was in his night-shirt when the hazers made the attack upon him, and in this garb escaped from his room and spent the night in the house of one of the professors.

SUFFOLK'S BUDGET
The Scene of a Horrible Murder Destroyed.

Opening of a New Peanut Factory—A Would-Be-Suicide's Mistake—Property Transfers—Post Holiday Weddings—Praised the Press.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)
Suffolk, Va., Jan. 2.—The destruction by fire of Mrs. W. T. Jones' residence, near Cypress Chapel, Saturday night, as told in Sunday's Virginian-Pilot, removes from the county an old landmark whose associations recall the most cold-blooded crime in Nansemond's history. It was the murder without provocation and cruelly done of two respectable ladies.

The hospitable old mansion which went up in smoke was the scene of crime. Two ladies, with many friends and much money, were passing a peaceful existence. Liked by everybody and haunted by no foreboding of harm, these ladies were at peace with themselves and the world. They died the same night, horribly mangled by an assassin's bludgeon.

That happened twenty-five years ago. The women were Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Dozier. The murderer, Jim Brown, has long since hanged for the deed. He confessed. That was after his arrest and incarceration and when he knew he must die anyhow. Brown was not suspected at first. He dug the graves

of his victims and mourned with the rest when a good old pastor eulogized the deceased at the funeral. He went too much—enough to arouse suspicion. In addition to the dwelling and furniture, a small outhouse went too. One organ was saved. Most of the other household effects were burned, with \$30 in cash. The insurance policies went, too, but the companies will pay the losses. The insurance on the property burned was \$2,675. Mrs. Jones carried \$3,349 insurance on all her buildings. A lamp explosion started the blaze.

PEANUT FACTORY OPENED.
With the dawn of 1899 another artery of commerce was added to the list of industries that make Suffolk what it is. It was the opening up of the Nansemond Peanut Company's big peanut plant at the foot of North Main street. The hum of machinery proclaimed its inauguration during the early morning.

The main building of the plant is four stories high and fifty feet square. The wing is 60x10 and two stories up. The entire plant is equipped with up-to-date peanut-cleaning apparatus and operated by men who know how to do it. The officers and managers of the company are men of means and brains. It looks as if the donation made by the Council to encourage the plant's establishment will prove a good investment.

The Nansemond Peanut Company has forty-five operatives on the pay roll to start with. This number will be continually increased. The company has a big stock of nuts on hand and orders booked ahead. The factory will clean 1,600 bushels a day.

THOUGHT HE WAS TAKING POISON.
There is a man out in the county who kept Christmas with a vengeance. He is a drinking man and that was the time of year when he wasn't swearing off. After he had been getting outside of liquor for a long time the man became very despondent and felt like dying. He didn't have any convenient means of shuffling off and he begged for strychnine. A friend, to be accommodating, said he would get the drug. A lot of fine salt was gotten and mixed with water. The would-be suicide drank the draught and got ready to die. But it only made him sick.

PROPERTY CONVEYANCES.
Joshua B. Harrel to Mary A. Owen, a tract of land in Cypress Magisterial district; \$155.
S. E. Anderson to Thomas Pitt, several small parcels of land; \$30.
Robert P. Hunter to Joshua Hunter, some lots on Maple street; \$50.
J. T. Duck to Putnam O. Duck, 724 acres in Holy Neck district; consideration, \$500, and natural love and affection.

RANDOLPH SOCIETY.
The Randolph Society of St. Paul's P. E. church will have their regular monthly meeting to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, with Miss Susie Prentiss, No. 91 Main street. This is the first meeting of the year, and a full attendance is asked for.

POST HOLIDAY WEDDINGS.
Christmas is gone, but the marriage boom hasn't subsided yet. Two permits were sold from the county clerk's office to-day.

To-morrow, in the county, James J. Harrell will be wedded to Miss Minnie Brinkley, daughter of Frank P. Brinkley. The groom-to-be is a farmer.

On January 5th Miss Blanche B. Harrel will become the wife of William C. Davidson. The bride-elect is a daughter of James H. Harrel. The ceremony will happen at Factory Hill.

PRaised THE PRESS.
At the Christian church Sunday evening Dr. W. W. Staley, pastor, paid a glowing tribute to the press. As an agency for the spread of enlightenment and the dissipation of ignorance and evil, Dr. Staley mentioned newspapers in the same breath as schools and religion. He drew graphic contrasts between the moral and intellectual status of communities that read papers regularly, and those that don't. It was a sermon as forceful as it was graphic.

PEOPLE AND EVENTS.
Suffolk High School and Public School No. 1 will reopen to-morrow. Some of the county schools started up business to-day.

Mr. Wiley E. Cobb returned to-day from a week's visit to his old home in Brunswick, Me., and other points in New England. Mr. A. H. Cobb and son will come home to-morrow.

Mr. Ellis Freeman and bride, of Phillipsburg, Pa., who spent their honeymoon in Suffolk with Mr. and Mrs. Hara McClellan, left to-day for home. The visitors fell in love with Suffolk's climate.

Mr. Frank H. Wright and family returned to-day from Petersburg, where they passed the Christmas holidays. They used to live there.

Mr. Thomas A. Main, of Norfolk, was in Suffolk to-day.

Miss Hargrave, of Lynchburg, was registered at the Commercial Hotel to-day.

Mr. C. E. H. Luke, of Smithfield, visited friends in Suffolk to-day.

The Suffolk Literary Club will meet Wednesday afternoon, with Miss Lizzie Britt, on Main street.

A soiree given by Misses Urquhart and Delk is in progress at the old Town Hall to-night.

Miss Dora Kirby, concluding a visit to Dr. J. J. Duke's family, near Windsor, arrived home to-night.

Miss Eva Williams, of Gates county, N. C., after a visit to Suffolk friends, left to-night for Lynchburg, where she teaches in Woman's College.

Miss Mattie White, of Norfolk, left for home this evening at 10:30. She had been visiting Mr. Frank Tollen's family, 34 Bank street.

A PRESENT FOR SPAIN.
(From the Detroit Journal.)
—Since Senator Hale is so anxious to make Spain a present of some sort, he might urge that the Pillager Indians be turned over to them.

TOM'S NEW YEAR JOKE.



"It's a lie, my dear; I'm no' full; on'y pre'nding I'm full!"
—Pick Me Up.

FEW STATUES TO WOMEN.
Not More Than Fifty in Honor of Gentler Sex.

In several portions of the Austro-Hungarian empire monuments are about to be raised by public subscription to the late Empress, Queen Elizabeth, according to the Buda-Pesth correspondent of the New York Commercial Advertiser.

All told, there are all the world over not fifty monuments, as far as I can discover, raised to women. This plastic paucity, as far as the daughters of Eve are concerned, is the more glaring when we take into consideration the fact of there being more monuments raised to his Imperial Teutonic Majesty Emperor Wilhelm I than to all the famous women put together. And yet neither antiquity, medievalism nor the epoch-making age in which we live has been poor in famous empresses, queens, poetesses, amazons, lady philanthropists and nondescript heroines, whose several achievements have won them imperishable fame and the undying gratitude of millions.

Take, for instance, the case of Queen Elizabeth of England. There exists at the present day not a single memorial to "Good Queen Bess," the proverbiality of her intrinsic administrative virtues notwithstanding. And Empress Catherine II of Russia, too, have late in the day of her immortality was the first and only monument raised to so powerful a potentate. Close upon a century elapsed before a memorial was erected to Austria's great Empress, Maria Teresa.

Paris takes the lead among the capitals of the earth in monuments to women. There are twenty-one of them; and yet they are not scattered promiscuously over the gigantic city, for twenty of them are congregated in two rows of ten each in the Garden of Luxembourg to the south of the Senate Palace. Mary, Queen of Scots, by Prault, in her character as Queen of France, is among the number, and so, too, are Anne of Austria, Marguerite of Valois and Marie de Medici.

These twenty statues of gigantic proportions were ordered en masse under the second empire to clothe the nudity of the terraces round the fountains and animate the scene. Shame be on the authorities that nothing is done to preserve the twenty from decay, for the tooth of time is taking undue advantage of man's neglect. Statue twenty-one is a bronze equestrian statuette of Maid of Orleans on the little Place des Pyramides, close to the Rue de Rivoli, almost lost to my view on the hilltop square.

Except her Majesty Victoria, no daughter of Eve has been more multiformly immortalized in plastic art than Joan of Arc. The heroic maid, to whom her country owes so much, and who died so tragically at the age of 19, is not only to be found in effigy in her native village, Domremy, but in the

neighboring little town of Vaucouleurs, where she often stayed; in Nancy, the chief town of Lorraine; in Orleans and in Rouen, where she was burnt at the stake.

To Queen Victoria statues have been erected at Windsor and Bombay, in some of the large Australian cities, at Liverpool, Montreal, Glasgow, Aberdeen and Edinburgh. At Windsor her masterfully conceived and gigantic monument was erected by a sculptor of Hungarian origin, Edgar Boehm, who was immensely popular in England, and more particularly at the English court, and who died in London in 1890.

SMOKING IN A WOMAN'S CAR.
A Russian Countess Puffs Her Cigarette Boldly in a French Railway Compartment.

"No smoking allowed" will now have to be affixed on the carriage compartment of railway trains allotted to ladies only, says a Paris correspondent. This, at least, must be done if the companies mean to obviate the recurrence of such scenes as that witnessed yesterday at the station of the Orleans Cleuntyne line.

Ms. Viron, 42 years old, and a lady who turned out to be a Russian countess, were sitting together in a first-class compartment, marked "for ladies only," on their way to Vincennes. The Russian countess lit a thick cigarette and soon filled the compartment with smoke, which caused Ms. Viron to cough and then to exclaim, in a snappish manner: "I wish you would leave off smoking, please; you see that it inconveniences me, and it is not allowed in this carriage, which is marked 'Ladies only.'"

The Muscovite countess smoked on with greater vigor and remarked that, as there was no notice in or outside the carriage to prevent those who liked tobacco from indulging in it, she was determined to finish her cigarette. Ms. Viron protested with all her might against the action of the countess and called her a "bad lot," whereupon the Muscovite lady struck her co-traveler twice in the face.

When the train stopped at the Orleans Cleuntyne station Ms. Viron, considerably damaged about the features and wearing her hat in a manner which seemed to denote that she had been in a collision of some sort, emerged from the train, sought out the station master and lodged a formal complaint with that official against the Russian Countess. The latter was instantly called upon to throw away her cigarette, as smoking in a "ladies only" compartment was strictly contrary to all railway rules and regulations. The Countess only puffed more vigorously, sent spirals of smoke into the face of the station master and the guard, and told them that they had no case against her, as they had not put a notice forbidding indulgence in pipes, cigars or cigarettes on the compartment reserved for her sex. Legal action will be taken against her.

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